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## CUNARD SHIP ALAUNIA IS SUNK

**Big Steamer Is Destroyed by Mine in the English Channel With Probable Loss of 86 Members of the Crew**

New York, Oct. 19.—The Cunard liner Alaunia, which sailed from New York for Falmouth October 7, was sunk in the English channel today with a probable loss of 86 members of her crew.

A cablegram to the New York office of the line first announced the sinking of the vessel. Late this evening a cable to the United Press from its London bureau stated that the captain and 163 of the Alaunia's crew had been landed. The ship normally carried a crew of 250, which would leave 86 unaccounted for.

The original cable to the Cunard offices merely stated that "some" were missing.

The Cunard officials announced that the Alaunia's passengers were landed at Falmouth on Tuesday and that she was proceeding to London with only her 10,000-ton cargo and crew when she struck a mine.

New York, Oct. 19.—The Cunard line steamer Alaunia struck a mine early today in the English channel and sank, the Cunard offices announced here this afternoon. There were no passengers aboard, all of them having been landed. A majority of the crew were saved.

The Alaunia displaced 13,405 tons. She was 520 feet long and was built in 1913.

The cablegram to the New York Cunard office follows:

"Alaunia struck a mine in the English channel this morning and sunk during the forenoon. Denison and majority of the crew saved. Some missing."

The liner left New York for Falmouth and London with 200 passengers aboard. Officials here said all passengers had been landed at Falmouth and she was proceeding on her way to London when she struck the mine.

## MOBILE STORM DAMAGE SMALL

Mobile, Ala., Oct. 19.—A small amount of shipping damaged, some wreckage of property and the death of one negro today constituted the total damage from yesterday's hurricane.

Fifteen thousand dollars is the estimated damage between Fort Morgan and Mobile, the storm center. Shipping, warned in advance, had sought safety. But the Portuguese bark Porto Para went ashore, the river steamer Charles May was sunk, together with the three-masted schooner W. H. Davenport and a number of launches. A negro died from electrocution by a dangling wire.

The damage in the city was small, considering that the hurricane reached a 100-mile an hour velocity.

A part of the Mobile & Ohio train aheads were wrecked and the two-ton section of a fruit shed was hurled 300 feet.

Orange, N. J.—Calling to cheer up a dying friend with a game of pinochle, 80-year-old John Hawkes drew the first good hand he has held for years and fell out of his chair, dead.

## SUBMARINE U-53 REPORTED SUNK OFF NANTUCKET

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 19.—A German submarine, possibly the U-53, has been sunk off Nantucket, according to a message the British steamer North Pacific claims to have received. The North Pacific is taking on bunker coal here today. Although she arrived here Monday night from New Orleans, the North Pacific did not report receiving the message from what was said to be a British cruiser until today. The message read:

"German submarine sunk east Nantucket."

Officers of the North Pacific said the cruiser was lying off this coast.

A London cable to the United Press a few days ago said a sudden reduction in insurance rates on transatlantic shipping by Lloyd's had aroused speculation as to whether the U-53 had been sunk, captured or had returned to a German port. It is being believed that the reduction was ordered because Lloyd's had received "inside" information.

## PREDICTS WHEAT FAMINE IN THE U. S.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—"Unless an embargo upon the exportation of wheat and flour is at once declared, there will be a wheat famine before spring," said Paul Schulze, head of a large baking concern today. Bakers paid \$9.50 a barrel for flour yesterday. The retail price was advanced to \$9.90 and \$10, the highest in 20 years. Wheat has jumped also ten cents this week, and grain men predicted \$2 wheat before the first of the year. December wheat rose 1 1/2 cents to \$1.66 1/2; May rose 1 1/2 cents to \$1.67 1/2.

The cause is laid to short crops throughout the world. Argentina is suffering from a drought. Russian wheat is held up, and because of the Canadian scarcity the British empire is talking of commandeering the crop.

"Bakers have been caught this year without stocks of flour on hand," Schulze said today. "They did not buy when the first advances came, expecting a lull in the market. Now they are working from hand to mouth. A rise of 50 cents a barrel will force another bread increase."

A. P. Dahlheimer, president for the Master Bakers' association, said there would be no increase in the price of bread. Cleveland bakers, however, slapped another cent on and the family size loaf costs eight cents there.

## ROUMANIAN VICTORS IN FIGHT WITH TEUTONS

Bucharest, Oct. 19.—Roumanian troops have won a victory over the Austro-Germans south of Kronstadt, driving the enemy back from the Predael pass region and across the Transylvanian frontier. It was officially announced this afternoon. In Brandefille ground has been gained.

## FRENCH TROOPS CLOSE TO PERONNE

Paris, Oct. 19.—French troops drew closer to Peronne in last night's fighting, making further progress between La Maisonette and Blaches, in heavy fighting south of the Somme. It was officially announced today. North of the river the French maintained all yesterday's gains, despite several German counter-attacks. The newly-won positions at Sully-Salliel, now entirely in the hands of the French, were consolidated during the night.

## TEDDY VISITS OLD FRIENDS IN WEST

**Rough Rider Goes to Old Stamping Grounds in Middle West to Campaign for Election of Mr. Hughes**

Aboard Roosevelt's Train, St. Louis, Oct. 19.—With the Kentucky mountain district and its eventful day behind him, Colonel Roosevelt is speeding across Missouri and Kansas today to the scenes of his "short grass" range riding days.

While the colonel ostensibly is out to make votes for Republican Nominee Hughes, he does not intend to spend all his time playing politics while in Phoenix, Ariz., and Albuquerque, N. M., where he speaks Saturday and Monday, respectively. He is looking forward to meeting some of his old plains pals. And if the colonel keeps all the dates with gun-fighting cowboys who knew him in the old ranch days who have wired him to be sure and visit them, this trip won't end when it is expected to end.

There are two men, however, who wired Roosevelt they will meet him either at Phoenix or Albuquerque. One is Seth Bullock, who used to sit behind the colonel at political meetings with a pair of loaded Colts in his hands. "To keep the audience attentive." The other is Jim Davis, whose left ear "was bit off by a gentleman in an argument."

Roosevelt admittedly is glad to get out west. It has been four years since he did any western traveling. Then, too, his day yesterday was not all beer and skittles. Besides the wrecked freight train ahead of his special, which delayed him two hours, the engine pulling his car broke down six times. The last time was at Livingston. There was a crowd at the station calling for him. He was greeted with shouts of "Woodrow Wilson! Woodrow Wilson!" as he started to speak.

Finally the heckling plainly nettled the colonel and, unable to get well started, he shouted at the men, "That's right; shout for Woodrow Wilson if you're too proud to fight and if the Lusitania sinking doesn't make your blood shout," and he went inside, to speak no more until he reached Louisville for his first big address of the trip.

Excepting Louisville, Roosevelt got his best reception at Corbin. Despite a downpour, several thousand mountain folk, who could get a job any time supering as a mob in a Belascoesque play, all but tore Roosevelt's arm from his shoulder joints shaking hands with them. The colonel said that the Corbin crowd was the most picturesque he ever addressed. And they were. Some had left their mountain fastnesses for the first time in three or four years and had walked or ridden horseback or muleback, mostly mules, from 10 to 40 miles to see "Teddy."

One grizzled old man, who was obviously a stranger to 1916 civilization, persistently yelled "Where's Teddy? I want to see Teddy," until finally T. R. interrupted his speech to say, "Well, my friend, take a look, I'm Teddy," and then the old chap refused to let the colonel continue his speech until he had gripped the colonel's hand.

The Louisville affair was something like Fourth of July used to be before safety first ideas prevailed. But for all the fireworks there were numerous—very numerous—Wilson rosters at Phoenix Hill auditorium, where the colonel spoke to 4,000.

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## CONSTANTINE SUPPORTS ALLIES

**Athens Is Scene of Anti-Ally Demonstrations, and King Urges Leaders Not to Stir Up Violence in the Crowds**

Athens, Oct. 18 (Delayed).—Greek troops are in complete control of the situation here today, anti-ally mobs are being dispersed and for the time being the possibilities of a serious clash between civilians and French marines seem to have been averted. The anti-ally leaders, however, are continuing their attempts to organize demonstrations, and the crisis is by no means past. It is understood that King Constantine, following clash between civilians and French ministers, sent personal appeals to the most prominent of his supporters, urging them not to stir up the Athens crowds to acts of violence.

The collapse of reports that a United States fleet was approaching Piraeus to intervene disheartened the civilians and has helped restore order. Newspaper extras were circulated about the city by the anti-ally leaders reporting that American warships would arrive within a few hours to see that Greek neutrality was not violated by the allies. These reports greatly encouraged the mobs, thousands of Greeks actually believing that they would soon be joined by American marines.

"It is with joy that we hear of the approaching arrival of the great American fleet," said one of the newspapers circulated by the royalists. "It brings relief in the midst of our torments. America resents the sorrows of the Greek people and doubtless will proclaim her reproof in a voice that will resound across the sea."

After his conference with the British minister, King Constantine seemed disposed to meet all the demands of the allies, though no authoritative statement has been issued.

The most severe military measures are now in force to prevent trouble.

The cabinet met today and, it is reported, drafted a protest to the allies against the arrest of Greek members of the reservist league by French marines last night. A crowd of reservist leaguers hissed a patrol of marines who dispersed them at the point of the bayonet. Greek troops witnessed the arrest, but did not interfere.

## SERBS RESUME MONASTIR DRIVE

London, Oct. 19.—The Serbian army has resumed its drive on Monastir, base of the Bulgarian army operating in southwestern Serbia, after being held up for two weeks by Bulgarian counter-attacks.

The Serbs have captured the village of Brod in brilliant fighting, it was officially announced at Paris.

Other Serbian detachments have occupied several positions on Mount Nikol and have advanced appreciably nearer to the summit of the highest peak.

Bulgarians are rushing up reinforcements and a large number of trench mortars, said a Serbian official statement to London.

While the Serbs were registering this success, the Roumanians defeated the Teutonic armies that invaded Roumania through Predael pass, driving them back across the frontier, said an official statement from Bucharest this evening.

## EMPLOYEES OF THE STANDARD OIL CO. RETURN TO WORK

Bayonne, N. J., Oct. 19.—More than 1,000 striking employees of the Standard Oil company and many hundreds more employed by other plants returned to their work here today. Superintendent Hennessy, of the Standard Oil plant, was on hand when the doors opened and gave the order for the men to return when he became aware of their numbers. He had decided he would not start them to work unless a sufficient number to operate the plant showed up. The strike has been on ten days. Thousands of strikers were in the streets and refused to return, but there was no attempt at violence.

The United States mediation board held a meeting today at which an effort was to be made to settle differences between the employers and workers.

## EXPRESS MESSENGER KILLED BY BANDITS

Bliss, Okla., Oct. 19.—A posse today is scouring the country north of here for six bandits who last night held up Santa Fe mail and express train No. 405, shot and killed Express Messenger Percy A. Norman, disarmed the safe and escaped with an unknown amount of money.

A desperate fight is expected if the bandits are located, as they were heavily armed and did not hesitate to kill Norman when he showed fight, and shot a baggageman who failed to keep under cover.

Flashing the train as it sped through the 101 ranch, the masked bandits uncoupled the engine and express car, ran them down the track, threw the express safe from the car and dynamited it.

Throwing their booty into a waiting automobile, they raced for the hills. Some trainmen estimated the loot at \$10,000. Railroad officials, however, were authority for the statement that the robbers got no money from the express car.

Douglas, Ariz., Oct. 19.—The six bandits who held up and robbed the Santa Fe mail and express train near Bliss, Okla., were the same six who held up the Golden State limited near Apache, Ariz., September 7, and escaped, according to the belief today of members of Sheriff Wheeler's posse, who chased the robbers. Deputies here pointed out that the reported methods of the six robbers were identical with those who detached the express car of the Golden State limited and attempted to shatter the safe with dynamite. After unsuccessful efforts, the robbers disappeared and have not been heard from since. It is believed they made their way across New Mexico and Texas into Oklahoma, where the six bandits struck last night, killing an express messenger who resisted.

## GAINS ARE MADE AT HEAVY EXPENSE

Berlin, Oct. 19.—The British made gains north of Eaucourt-L'Abbaye and Guedecourt in yesterday's fighting, and the French at Sully and also between Blaches and La Maisonette, but the allied victories did not compensate them for their heavy losses, the war office announced today.

On the Russian front heavy fighting continues. The Germans took enemy trenches north of Sinlawaka. Successful fights are in progress in Transylvania passes leading into Hungary.

## USE WATER OF JOSEPHINE STREAMS

**State Engineer Issues Many Permits in County During Past Quarter for Mining and Irrigation Purposes**

State Engineer John H. Lewis issued 144 permits for the appropriation of water, including nine for the construction of reservoirs, during the quarter ending September 30, 1916. According to these permits it is proposed to irrigate 8,354 acres of land, store 4,129 acre feet of water, and develop 702 horsepower.

The following permits were issued in Josephine county:

A. W. Zoellner, of Golden, for the irrigation of four acres, diverting water from Jack creek, in section 20, township 33 south, range 4 west.

M. H. Warner, of Williams, for the irrigation of 20 acres, diverting water from east fork of Williams creek, in section 3, township 39 south, range 5 west.

Utah-Idaho Sugar Company, of Grants Pass, for manufacturing purposes, diverting water from Rogue river, in section 20, township 36 south, range 5 west.

Louis Lacke, of Grants Pass, for the irrigation of 10 acres, diverting water from Pass creek, in section 18, township 36 south, range 6 west.

F. Bryan and E. E. Allen, of Williams, for the irrigation of 50 acres, diverting water from west fork Williams creek, in section 18, township 39 south, range 5 west.

J. H. Stone, of Alameda, for the irrigation of 15 acres, and mining purposes, diverting water from Rat and Mouse creeks, in section 13, township 34 south, range 8 west.

J. R. Harvey, of Grants Pass, for mining purposes, diverting water from south fork Galice, in section 17, township 35 south, range 8 west.

Mrs. E. M. Thompson, of Kerby, for the irrigation of two acres and domestic supply, diverting water from two springs in section 23, township 39 south, range 8 west.

F. B. Wetherbee, of Wilderville, for the irrigation of 40 acres, diverting water from Jackson creek, in township 37 south, range 6 west.

John Apple, of Holland, for mining purposes, diverting water from Snow gulch, in section 34, township 40 south, range 7 west.

John Apple, of Holland, for mining purposes, diverting water from Alt-house creek, in section 4, township 41 south, range 7 west.

S. L. Johnston, of Applegate, for the irrigation of 30 acres, diverting water from Thompson creek and Sturgis fork, in section 25, township 39 south, range 5 west.

G. S. Kendall, of Applegate, for the irrigation of 25 acres, diverting water from Thompson creek and Sturgis fork, in section 25, township 39 south, range 5 west.

## EASTERN STORM MOVING TO THE MIDDLE WEST

Washington, Oct. 19.—The weather bureau today posted storm warnings as rapidly as possible around the lake region and the Atlantic coast. The gulf storm of yesterday now centers in Indiana, moving northeastward with less violence, "but this will increase," the bureau predicts.

Snow was reported as far south as Kansas. Wyoming reported eight degrees above zero.

Chicago—He loved her beautifully groomed finger nails, so Samuel Feldman, Russian student in the University of Chicago, and Miss Margaret Follered, co-ed, eloped to New York.